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Security Council

10 a.m. — 5315th meeting — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. Security Council mission

   Report of the Security Council mission to Central Africa, 4 to 11 November 2005 (S/2005/716)

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Informal consultations of the plenary on Secretariat and management reform

10 a.m. — 1st meeting (closed) — Conference Room 4

Informal consultations of the plenary on the Peacebuilding Commission

3 p.m. — 9th meeting (closed) — Trusteeship Council Chamber

Security Council

The Security Council will hold an open debate on Friday, 9 December 2005, in the Security Council Chamber, in connection with the agenda item "Protection of civilians in armed conflict". Member States wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers should contact the Secretariat (room S-3520; or tel. 1 (212) 963-0096), as from *today*, 6 December 2005, from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Delegations are also kindly requested to limit their statements to no more than *five minutes*.

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Main Committees

Fifth Committee

10 a.m.		Conference Room 3
	Informal briefing (closed) by the Under-Secretary-General for Management on procurement	
Morning[1]–1 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda items 127 (Pattern of conferences (A/60/32, A/60/93, A/60/112, A/60/433 and A/C.5/60/9)); and 123 and 124 (Programme budget for the biennium 2004-2005; and Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007: United Nations Joint Staff Pension Board on administrative expenses of the United Nations Joint Staff Pension Fund (A/60/183 and A/60/7/Add.7))	
3–6 p.m.	Informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
	Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 (A/60/6, A/60/6/Corr.1, A/60/6/Corr.2, A/60/6/Corr.3, A/60/6/Corr.4 (French only), A/60/6 (Introduction), A/60/6 (Sect. 1), A/60/6 (Sect. 2), A/60/6 (Sect. 3), A/60/6 (Sect. 3)/Corr.1 (French only), A/60/6 (Sect. 4), A/60/6 (Sect. 5), A/60/6 (Sect. 6), A/60/6 (Sect. 7), A/60/6 (Sect. 8), A/60/6 (Sect. 9), A/60/6 (Sect. 10), A/60/6 (Sect. 11), A/60/6 (Sect. 12), A/60/6 (Sect. 13), A/60/6 (Sect. 14), A/60/6 (Sect. 15), A/60/6 (Sect. 16), A/60/6 (Sect. 17), A/60/6 (Sect. 18), A/60/6 (Sect. 19), A/60/6 (Sect. 20), A/60/6 (Sect. 21), A/60/6 (Sect. 22), A/60/6 (Sect. 23), A/60/6 (Sect. 24), A/60/6 (Sect. 25), A/60/6 (Sect. 26), A/60/6 (Sect. 27), A/60/6 (Sect. 28), A/60/6 (Sect. 28A), A/60/6 (Sect. 28B), A/60/6 (Sect. 28C), A/60/6 (Sect. 28D), A/60/6 (Sect. 28E), A/60/6 (Sect. 28F), A/60/6 (Sect. 28G), A/60/6 (Sect. 29), A/60/6 (Sect. 30), A/60/6 (Sect. 31), A/60/6 (Sect. 32), A/60/6 (Sect. 33), A/60/6 (Sect. 34), A/60/6 (Sect. 35), A/60/6 (Income Sect. 1), A/60/6 (Income Sect. 2), A/60/6 (Income Sect. 3), A/59/397 and A/59/793))	
	Revised estimates to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 under sections 1, 8, 28A and 35 and income section 1 (A/60/303)	
	Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions (A/60/7, A/60/7/Corr.1 and A/60/7/Add.1)	
	Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination (A/60/16 and A/60/16/Corr.1)	

[1] To be held following the briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for Management.

General Assembly

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10.30 a.m.–1 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3–6 p.m.	Closed meeting	Conference Room 10
	Executive session on the Outcome Document of the High-level Plenary Meeting of the General Assembly of September 2005 submitted by the President of the General Assembly	

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Second Committee

Informal "informal" consultations

Facilitator, Mr. Kazuo Sunaga (Japan), under agenda item 55 (b) (Specific actions relating to particular needs and problems of landlocked developing countries)

9.30–11 a.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Facilitator, Mr. Benedicto Fonseca Filho (Brazil on behalf of a group of countries), under agenda item 54 (c), (International migration and development) ("Remittances")

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 7

Facilitator, Mrs. Deidre Mills (Jamaica, on behalf of the Group of 77), under agenda item 50 (a) (International trade and development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Trusteeship Council Chamber

Facilitator, Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), under agenda item 51 (Follow- up to and implementation of the outcome of the International Conference on Financing for Development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 2

Facilitator, Mr. Abdellah Benmellouk (Morocco), under agenda item 55 (a) (Third United Nations Conference on the least developed countries)

11.15 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Facilitator, Mrs. Gina Andreadi (Greece), under agenda item 52 (e) (Sustainable development in mountain regions)

12 noon–1 p.m. Closed meeting Suite of offices of Conference Room 2

Facilitator, Mr. Gustavo Ainchil (Argentina), under agenda item 52 (d) (Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind)

1–2 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room S-2963D

Facilitator, Mr. Martin Meisel (Austria), under agenda item 54 (b) (Science and technology for development)

1–2 p.m. Closed meeting Suite of offices of Conference Room 2

Facilitator, Mrs. Ewa Anzorge (Poland), under agenda item 57 (b) (South-South cooperation: economic and technical cooperation among developing countries)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Facilitator, Ms. Jennifer Feller (Mexico), under agenda item 56 (b) (Women in development)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Facilitator, Mr. Thomas Gass (Switzerland), under agenda item 52 (report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its twenty-third session)

3–4 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Facilitator, Ms. Vanessa Gomes (Portugal), under agenda item 54 (d) (Preventing and combating corrupt practices and transfer of funds of illicit origin and returning such assets to the countries of origin)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room C

Facilitator, Mr. Paul Lolo (Nigeria), under agenda item 52 (g) (Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, Particularly in Africa)

4–6 p.m. Closed meeting Suite of offices of Conference Room 2

Facilitator, Ms. Husniyya Mammadova (Azerbaijan), under agenda item 54 (a) (Globalization and interdependence)

4.30–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 3

Informal consultations convened by delegations

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Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations", under agenda item 73 (a) (organized by the delegation of Sweden)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel", under agenda item 73 (organized by the delegation of the United Kingdom, on behalf of the European Union)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "2001-2010: Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa", under agenda item 47 (convened by the delegation of the United Republic of Tanzania)

1.30–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 1

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters, from relief to development", under agenda item 73 (a) (convened by the delegation of India, on behalf of the Group of 77)

3–5 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 4

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "New Partnership for Africa's Development: progress in implementation and international support" (A/60/L.16) (convened by the delegation of Morocco)

3–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room E

Other meetings

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Tuesday, 6 December 2005

Group of 77 (on the draft resolutions on international migration and development; women in development; United Nations Institute for Training and Research; science and technology)

9 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Group of 77 (on the draft resolution on combating and preventing corrupt practices)

1.15–2.30 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

Group of 77 (on Second Committee matters)

3.30–6 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room B

OIC Group (at the ambassadorial level)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room 1

African Group (Third Committee experts)

1.15–2.45 p.m. Closed meeting Conference Room D

Panel discussion on "The Human Rights Council", with the High Commissioner for Human Rights (organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights and the NGO Committee on Human Rights)

Today, 6 December 2005, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021)].

Workshop on violence against women to identify strategies for a more consistent and cohesive response to the issue by the United Nations system (organized by the Division for the Advancement of Women, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Today, 6 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2.30 to 5.30 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Monique Widyono, Division for the Advancement of Women (tel. 1 (917) 367-9030).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.htm

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Room S-226

Guest at 12 noon — Mr. Christopher Burnham, Under-Secretary-General for Management (on the outcome of a survey on the United Nations procurement service, which was conducted by the consulting firm, Deloitte and Touche)

Forthcoming official meetings

Wednesday, 7 December 2005

General Assembly
Sixtieth session

Informal consultations of the plenary on the Human Rights Council

10 a.m.	13th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1
3 p.m.	14th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 1

General Assembly
Sixtieth session

Informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda item 45 (Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS)

The informal consultations on the draft resolution under agenda item 45 (Follow-up to the outcome of the twenty-sixth special session: implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS), chaired by H.E. Mr. Christopher Fitzherbert Hackett (Barbados) and H.E. Mrs. Laxanachantorn Laohaphan (Thailand), will be held on Thursday, 8 December 2005, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4, instead of *today*, 6 December, as previously announced.

Main Committees

Second Committee

The Second Committee will hold its 34th meeting on Wednesday, 7 December 2005, from 3 to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The Committee will take action on the following draft resolutions: *A/C.2/60/L.51*, entitled "External debt crisis and development"; *A/C.2/60/L.49*, entitled "Human resources development" (item 56 (c));

and *A/C.2/60/L.50*, entitled "United Nations System Staff College in Turin, Italy" (item 58 (b)), as well as other draft proposals available for adoption.

Panel discussion

There will be a panel discussion on "The United Nations system's role in supporting country level development strategies, including national poverty reduction strategies, in the follow-up to the 2005 World Summit", organized by the Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, on Wednesday, 7 December 2005 from 3.30 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The meeting will be chaired by Mr. Juraj Koudelka (Czech Republic), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee. The panellists will include Mr. Turhan Saleh, Director, Millennium Development Goals Unit, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP); Mr. Richard Morgan, Deputy Director, Strategic Planning and Programme Guidance Unit, United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF); Mrs. Azita Berar-Awad, Director, National Policy Group, Policy Integration Department of the International Labour Organization; and Mr. Rogelio Fernández Castilla, Director of the Technical Support Division of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). Members of Permanent Missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

Fifth Committee

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Wednesday, 7 December 2005, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 5.

General Assembly

Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People

The Committee on the Exercise of the Inalienable Rights of the Palestinian People will hold its 291st meeting on Wednesday, 7 December 2005, at 12 noon in Conference Room 4.

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations conference to review progress made in the implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects
Informal consultation

There will be an informal consultation, convened by the Chair-designate of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations conference to review progress made in the implementation of the Programme of Action to Prevent, Combat and Eradicate the Illicit Trade in Small Arms and Light Weapons in All Its Aspects, on Friday, 9 December 2005, at 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

Disarmament Commission
Organizational session

The Disarmament Commission will hold its organizational session on Monday, 12 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations on the 2006 regular session of the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations (19–27 January 2006) on Wednesday and Thursday, 7 and 8 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 6.

International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families

Meeting of the States Parties
Second meeting

The second meeting of the States Parties will take place on Thursday, 8 December 2005, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The documents for the Meeting are CMW/SP/4, CMW/SP/5, CMW/SP/5/Add.1 and CMW/SP/3.

Quorum

Pursuant to article 72, paragraph 4 of the International Convention on the Protection of the Rights of All Migrant Workers and Members of Their Families, the necessary quorum for the Meeting is two-third of the States Parties. As there are 31 States Parties to the Convention, the quorum is 21 States Parties. There have been instances in the past where meetings of the States Parties have been substantially delayed or called off due to the lack of quorum. In order to avoid such occurrences, it is imperative for the States Parties to be present at the scheduled time of the meeting.

Credentials

The credentials of representatives and the names of members of a delegation issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs should be submitted to the Secretary-General prior to the Meeting. The credentials may be brought or sent to the New York Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (room S-2914).

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Pre-session informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session 2006, on Monday, 9 January 2006, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in Conference Room 6.

First regular session 2006

The first regular session 2006 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from Tuesday, 24 January, to Friday, 27 January 2006, in a conference room to be announced. The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document DP/2006/L.1. Member States, as well as observers and other organizations, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the

UNDP/UNFPA Executive Board (fax 1 (212) 906-5634), as early as possible, but not later than Friday, 13 January 2006.

The joint meeting of the Executive Boards of UNDP/UNFPA, UNICEF and WFP will take place on Friday, 20 January, and Monday, 23 January 2006, in a conference room to be announced. Prior to the convening of the joint meeting, there will be a formal meeting of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA, on Friday, 20 January, at 10 a.m., to elect its new Bureau for 2006.

Forthcoming informal consultations convened by delegations

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Implementation of the recommendations contained in the report of the Secretary-General on the causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa" (convened by the delegation of France)

Wednesday, 7 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict: breaking the link between the illicit transaction of rough diamonds and armed conflict as a contribution to prevention and settlement of conflicts", under agenda item 11 (convened by the delegation of the Russian Federation)

Wednesday, 7 December 2005, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D.

Other forthcoming meetings

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Panel discussion on the results of the WHO Multi-Country Study, entitled "Violence against women: Are women safe at home?" (organized by the World Health Organization (WHO), in collaboration with the Division for the Advancement of Women, Department of Economic and Social Affairs)

Wednesday, 7 December 2005, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Vanessa Lanza, WHO Office at the United Nations (tel. 1 (212) 963-3952; e-mail lanza@un.org).]

Panel discussion on "Protection and promotion of human rights of people with mental disorders" (organized by the World Health Organization, together with the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights, in collaboration with the NGO Committee on Mental Health)

Thursday, 8 December 2005, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 3.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Vanessa Lanza, WHO Office at the United Nations (tel. 1 (212) 963-3952; e-mail lanza@un.org).]

Round table on "Tajikistan's MDG-based National Development Strategy" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Tajikistan, with the support of the United Nations Millennium Project)

Monday, 12 December 2005, from 1.30 to 4.30 p.m. in Conference Room 2.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Nima Tabloei, United Nations Millennium Project (tel. 1 (212) 906-6009; e-mail nima.tabloei@unmillenniumproject.org).]

Announcements

Informational meetings with Member States to discuss issues relating to language services

Pursuant to Section IV, paragraph 2, of General Assembly resolution 59/265, the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management will hold informational meetings with Member States twice a year to consult with them on the improvement of the language services and to provide a channel for communication on the terminology used and the quality of services rendered. The second round of language specific informational meetings in 2005 will be held in December, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7, on the following dates:

Today, 6 December: *English*

Wednesday, 7 December: *French*
Thursday, 8 December: *Russian*
Friday, 9 December: *Spanish*
Monday, 12 December: *Arabic*

Credentials of representatives to the sixtieth session of the General Assembly

Delegations are reminded that credentials should be issued for all representatives to the sixtieth session of the General Assembly, in accordance with rule 27 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly. Credentials should be sent, by Thursday, 8 December 2005, to the secretariat of the Credentials Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5358 or 963-5377; room S-3460D or S-3420A).

Preparations for the fiftieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women

In preparation for the fiftieth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (27 February–10 March 2006), delegations are invited to propose names of expert panellists to participate in two panel discussions on the following themes: (a) Enhanced participation of women in development: an enabling environment for achieving gender equality and the advancement of women, taking into account, inter alia, the fields of education, health and work; and (b) Equal participation of women and men in decision-making processes at all levels. Delegations are requested to submit names indicating the panel for which the expert(s) is (are) being nominated and curricula vitae which outline the specific expertise and experience of the proposed candidate on the theme. It is kindly requested that the information be sent to the Division for the Advancement of Women (e-mail taylors@un.org; and/or selcuk@un.org; fax 1 (212) 963-3463), no later than Wednesday, 7 December 2005.

Security Council

Daily informal briefings

As from Monday, 5 December 2005, and for the rest of the month, the presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations, which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations.

Summary of official meetings

Monday, 5 December 2005

General Assembly

Sixtieth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

28th meeting

Organization of work

The Director ad interim of the Office of the Programme Planning and Budget Division and the Acting Director of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions provided clarifications pertaining to the late submission of documentation.

Statements were made by the representatives of Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Norway, the United Kingdom (on behalf of the European Union), the United States, Argentina (on behalf of the Rio Group), Japan, Egypt, Switzerland, Trinidad and Tobago, China, Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), South Africa (on behalf of the African Group), India, Brazil and Guatemala.

The Director ad interim of the Office of the Programme Planning and Budget Division made additional comments.

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

The Secretary of the Committee replied to a question raised.

General Assembly

Ad Hoc Committee of the General Assembly for the Announcement of Voluntary Contributions to the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East

1st meeting

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East made a statement.

The Ad Hoc Committee heard statements by the representatives of Sweden, Turkey, Japan, Denmark, New Zealand, Bahrain, Kuwait, China, Ireland, India, the Netherlands, France, Greece, Austria, Belgium, Luxembourg, Lebanon, the Republic of Korea and Portugal, as well as by the observer for the Holy See.

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

The President of the General Assembly made a statement.

The Commissioner-General of the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Convention on Long-range Transboundary Air Pollution. Geneva, 13 November 1979

Accession: Albania (2 December 2005)[1]

Protocol on Strategic Environmental Assessment to the Convention on Environmental Impact Assessment in a Transboundary Context. Kiev, 21 May 2003

Ratification: Albania (2 December 2005)[1]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on the involvement of children in armed conflict. New York, 25 May 2000

Objection to the reservations made by Oman upon accession: Norway (2 December 2005)[1]

Objection to the reservations made by Oman upon accession: Spain (2 December 2005)[1]

United Nations Convention against Corruption. New York, 31 October 2003

Ratification: Bolivia (5 December 2005)[1]

Convention on Access to Information, Public Participation in Decision-Making and Access to Justice in Environmental Matters. Aarhus, Denmark, 25 June 1998

Accession: Slovakia (5 December 2005)[1]

[1] Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Other announcements

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Women's International Forum (meeting on "Africa's renaissance and its future")

Today, 6 December 2005, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend.]

Panel discussion on "Jewish response to disaster relief" (sponsored by the United States Mission)

Wednesday, 7 December 2005, from 1.15 to 2.45 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Peggy Kerry, United States Mission (tel. 1 (212) 415-4054; e-mail kerryp@state.gov).]

Panel discussion "Rearing its ugly head: The resurgence of torture in the twenty-first century and the struggle to combat it", with the High Commissioner for Human Rights, to commemorate Human Rights Day 2005 (organized by the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights)

Wednesday, 7 December 2005, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Sharon Brandstein, OHCHR (tel. 1 (212) 963-7021)].

Launch of the book entitled "Democracy Rising — Assessing Global Challenges" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Chile)

Wednesday, 7 December 2005, at 6 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Julio Torres, Permanent Mission of Chile (tel. 1 (212) 832-3323; e-mail jtorres@chileun.org).]

Workshop on communications (organized by the Non-Governmental Organizations Section, Department of Public Information)

Thursday, 8 December 2005, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium; and from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

[For further information, please contact Ms. Sasa Gorisek, NGO Section (tel. 1 (212) 963-1859; e-mail gorisek@un.org).]

Event on the occasion of the International Volunteer Day

Friday, 9 December 2005, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium: Screening of the documentary "The Heart of Steel"; followed by a panel discussion on "The citizen as volunteer" (sponsored by the United Nations Volunteer Programme, United Nations Development Programme).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Penina Adongo, United Nations Volunteer Programme (tel. 1 (212) 906-3639; e-mail penina.adongo@undp.org).]

General information

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *December 2005* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Rwanda
H.E. Mr. Stanislas Kamanzi

Asian States:
Iraq
H.E. Mr. Samir Shakir Mahmood Sumaida'ie

Eastern European States:
Romania
H.E. Mr. Mihnea Ioan Motoc

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Barbados
H.E. Mr. Christopher Fitzherbert Hackett

Western European and other States:
Canada
H.E. Mr. Allan Rock

Daily list of documents issued at Headquarters

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations in the electronic version of the present Journal. The list contains documents issued by 2 p.m. on Monday, 5 December 2005.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Official Records**
	Sixtieth session
A/60/PV.38	Meeting held on 26 October 2005, 10 a.m. [A E]

General Assembly	Documents
	Sixtieth session
A/60/7/Add.11	Items 121, 124, 134, 135 and 136 — Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors — Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2006-2007 — Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 — Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 — Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations — Liabilities and proposed funding for after-service health benefits — Twelfth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions [A C E F R S]
A/60/125/Add.2-E/2005/85/Add.2	Items 57 and 130 — Operational activities for development — Joint Inspection Unit — Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on some measures to improve overall performance of the United Nations system at the country level — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S]
A/60/463	Item 97 — General and complete disarmament — Report of the First Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/486	Item 50 — Macroeconomic policy questions — Report of the Second Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/501	Item 62 — Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family — Report of the Third Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/523	Item 116 — Revitalization of the work of the General Assembly — Report of the Sixth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/60/574	Item 140 — Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo — Report of the Fifth Committee [A C E F R S]
A/INF/60/4	List of non-Member States, entities and organizations having received a standing invitation to participate as observers in the sessions and the work of the General Assembly — Note by the Secretariat [A C E F R S]
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